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SUBJECT: IRISH PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR
FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION AND OTHER NUCLEAR TOPICS

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1. CHARGE PAUL DEMPSEY OF IRISH EMBASSY CALLED ON DEPUTY
TO THE UNDER SECRETARY JOSEPH S. NYE AFTERNOON OF AUGUST
30 TO INQUIRE AS TO STATUS OF INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR FUEL
CYCLE EVALUATION (INFCE) AND TO PROBE US THINKING RE
IRISH PARTICIPATION. DEMPSEY OBSERVED THAT WHAT INFORMA-
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TION IRISH GOVERNMENT HAD ON EVALUATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED
FROM EC IN BRUSSELS. COMMENT - OBVIOUSLY THERE IS A
COMMUNICATION GAP BETWEEN DEMPSEY AND DUBLIN. TERMS OF
REFERENCE WERE TRANSMITTED TO DUBLIN VIA REF A.

2. IN RESPONSE, NYE REVIEWED STATUS OF INFCE, NOTING WE
WERE PLANNING A CONFERENCE OF ALL PARTICIPANTS IN

WASHINGTON THIS OCTOBER. HE SPECIFICALLY WELCOMED IRISH INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING AND SAID INVITATION TO OCTOBER CONFERENCE WOULD BE EXTENDED THROUGH OUR EMBASSY IN DUBLIN (REF B). HE ALSO PROVIDED DEMPSEY A COPY OF THE PROPOSED INFCE TERMS OF REFERENCE.

3. ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, DEPARTMENT OFFICER INFORMED DEMPSEY THAT WE WOULD BE GETTING BACK TO HIM IN NEAR FUTURE WITH REGARD TO THOSE ACTIONS THAT MUST BE TAKEN TO FOLD US-IRELAND AGREEMENT FOR NUCLEAR COOPERATION INTO THE US-EURATOM ADDITIONAL AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION, WHEN THE FORMER EXPIRES ON JULY 8, 1978.

4. DEMPSEY, SHOWING A KEEN AWARENESS OF US NON-PROLIFERATION POLICIES AND PENDING LEGISLATION, ALSO RAISED A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS REGARDING HOW THE LEGISLATION MIGHT AFFECT RETRANSFERS AND REPROCESSING WITHIN EURATOM. NYE EXPLAINED THAT THE PRESIDENT'S POLICY AND PENDING LEGISLATION COMMITTED US TO SEEK RENEGOTIATION OF COMMITMENTS IN THE US-EURATOM AGREEMENT TO SECURE, INTER ALIA, US RIGHTS OVER THE DISPOSITION OF US-ORIGIN SPENT FUEL OR FUEL IRRADIATED IN US-SUPPLIED REACTORS, INCLUDING INTRA-COMMUNITY TRANSFERS. NYE SAID THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSED BILL DID NOT SET ANY TIME LIMIT FOR SUCH RENEGOTIATION, BUT THE BILLS PENDING IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE WOULD. THE FORMER IS PARTICULARLY ONEROUS IN THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IT PROVIDES THAT AGREEMENTS MUST BE RENEGOTIATED WITHIN 18 MONTHS, WITH NO PROVISION FOR PRESIDENTIAL EXTENSION. THE SENATE BILL ALSO HAS AN 18 MONTH DEADLINE, BUT PERMITS PRESIDENTIAL EXTENSION OF 12 MONTH PERIODS THEREAFTER. NYE SAID WE WOULD BE CONTINUING OUR NEGOTIATIONS IN THE WEEKS AHEAD WITH THE RELEVANT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES. VANCE

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